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Thos. J. Carr shooting Miss Florence Temple at 133 Bleeker Street, N. Y.

ASTOUNDING REVELATIONS. HOW YOUNG GIRLS ARE ENTRAPPED INTO HOUSES OF ILL-FAME.

The Trade of the Procureur.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Society for the suppression of Prostitution in the City of New York, at the Cooper Institute, 29th of June last, Mr. Sinclair, its Secretary, made the following statement which reveals the hideous practices resorted to by the proprietors of bagnios to secure their prey, and which, in some instances, appear so revolting as to almost shock belief. Mr. Sinclair stated that a committee of the society had visited many of the houses in all parts of the city, and had conversed with the girls, both in the house and on the street, and that in many instances his statement was based on the sworn affidavits of the unfortunate

side in the first two classes, are composed, in a small part, of those who seek their life from choice, and by those whom necessity has driven in this deplorable career. The remainder are composed, especially in the first class, of young girls who are placed there by their seducers and have no means of escaping from the toils which are spread around them, and by young girls who are gathered up in the country towns by the proprietors of these places or their agents. The statement of Anna B., of No. 100 Green street, shows the method of this procedure. Miss Annie was a native and resident of the town of Saratoga, N. Y., living with her parents happily and contented, until she became acquainted with a notorious sounder, formerly the keeper of a noted house of assignation in Howard street, who by various artifices, induced her and several companions to come to New York with him and who took them to his bagnio and for one month denied them the privilege of the street, but forced them to receive the em-

Miss Julia D., residing in 25th street, stated that she was born, educated and resided with her parents,

was but a device to destroy her virtue. That, forced to pander to the lust of men, she remained in her house for one year, during which time all of the money which had been presented to her by her visitors, had been taken and kept by this crafty procurer under one pretext and another, and that when she secured her escape from his clutches, the old hag actually had the audacity to secure a warrant of arrest, claiming that the clothes upon her back were her property (and for which she had really been paid a thousand fold).

Whitcomb S., an intelligent and handsome German girl, was taken from Castle Garden, by artifice, and placed in a Greenwich street bagnio, where, without friends, she is forced to surrender her person at the will of the proprietor.

Bridget G., a likely Irish girl, was seduced by a sailor on board one of the Liverpool packets, and by him placed in a den in Water street, where she remains against her will.

Throughout the country there is, says Mr. Sinclair, a great desire among the young people of both sexes to visit New York, and this fact is taken advantage of by professional pimpers of procurers to visit the country towns.

vals, where young girls living at home, who have, perhaps, taken one side step in vain, are allured by the soft words and the glitter and pomp of the barolo stiro, to leave home and friends for a life of gilded misery in the large cities. The mode adopted by the procurer or procurer, is to secure lodgings in the principal hotel of the town in which she spreads her net for the ensnaring of her victims, and towards dusk visits the promenade, the Post Office, and the Music Hall, where the young women congregate, and selecting her victims, sends her pimps to ascertain their names and residences and then either meet them and make an acquaintance or despatch a note couched in such terms as indicates a desire on the part of the New York lady to make her acquaintance, and assigning an interview. If she discovers that the girl is of a plastic mind, she suggests a variety of inducements to decoy her to the city, and, in some instances, where the victim is lovely and accomplished, actually visits the family to prevail upon the parents to part with their darling, who, being poor, listen to the dazzling prospects in store for their child in the city. After being taken to the city, the broken-hearted child conceals her shame and occasionally writes to her anxious parents, until time and her continued misfortunes blunt her sensibilities and the correspondence is discontinued, and all trace of the missing child is lost, who, while her fond parents are grieving for her, is, perhaps, lying in the charity ward of Bellevue Hospital, the victim of a loathsome disease. The towns most affected by these creatures, remarks Mr. Sinclair, are the small manufacturing towns of New England and the Middle States, through the large county towns, in rich agricultural districts, are occasionally visited. The manufacturing towns are, however, preferred, as many girls living in the large factory boarding houses, are away from the constraints of home and have no protectors beyond their own judgment, and are therefore much more easily secured.

THE DEVICES OF THE AMBROSIANS.

The device adopted by the more ingenious of the brothel keepers, observes Mr. Sinclair, is to procure a house with a side entrance upon a lateral street, the upper rooms of which establishment are fitted up in gorgeous splendor. To this place, under the pro-

tection of procuring work, young girls are decoyed and led to utter ruin. In fact the outward disguise of the establishment is so perfect, that married ladies leave their coaches upon the street and passing through the store, ascend to the luxurious chambers to receive the caresses of their paramours, who enter through the passage in the side street.

Every girl (all of whom are young and handsome) who apparently work in this establishment, have whenever their persons are required by their libidinous patrons. One of these procurers presents an income return of \$10,000, which but faintly represents the profits of her establishment. In Water street, in the Eighth ward, and in St. John's lane, in the Fifth Ward, are similar establishments where respectable young girls may be procured for a price. In Lexington and Madison Avenues are similar establishments which it will be one of the objects of

reputable life, and who have been cruelly dealt with by the mercenary proprietors of bagnios, may secure relief and redress, and to provide the means of livelihood until the unfortunate can secure labor or return to their parents. The Society also proposes to secure warrants and to prosecute the proprietors of all houses in which injustice or fraud has been practiced towards their unfortunate inmates, and that every legal and legitimate means will be by them



Capt. E. J. Marlin shooting his successful rival, E. G. Westmoreland, immediately after his marriage at Brunswick, Ga.



William Coleman attacking Burglars in his Room at 282 Sixth Avenue, N. Y.

When the synopsis of Mr. Sinclair's statement is written: The houses containing abandoned women in the City of New York, may be divided into three classes. 1st, the Parlor house—2nd, the Bar house, and 3rd, the house of assignation. The women who re-

brace of men against their desire. At the expiration of that time, thoroughly disgraced and entirely unacquainted with any person in the city, they embraced the life of shame as the only mode of securing subsistence.

in the city of Lancaster, Penn., and was induced by the proprietress of a Houston street bagnio, to desert her home for the city of New York, under the pretense of learning the millinery business, which she discovered when fully in the power of the procurer,



Brutal Assault on John Van Tassel, of Engine Co. No. 8.

their price, which is freely paid by the lecherous merchants who support this harm.

In East 21st street, near the 3d Avenue, there are three brown stone establishments, apparently private residences, the proprietress of which are in correspondence with young girls living with their parents—many of whom are in affluent circumstances, and whom they procure by note or message where the unfortunate who desire to quit their dis-

used to break up this revolting and horrid traffic in the bodies and souls of immortal beings.

H. A. Huffer, W. A. Ritter and J. A. Johnson, owners and Captain of the steamboat F. W. Brooks, have been arrested at St. Louis, charged with robbing and setting fire to that boat at the levee week before last.



Mrs. Van Emburgh endeavoring to save the life of her husband in Bergen Co., N. J.



John Kelly Butchering his Wife at 77 York Street, Brooklyn.



Ben Wells attempting to kill Vina Bruitt at her house at Little Rock, Ark.

